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SUBJECT: BPC-IRAQI NEGOTIATIONS ON LIFTINGS

REF: BAGHDAD 46

1. BPC TEAM LED BY NORTON OF BP RETURNED TO BAGHDAD JAN 29-FEB 6 TO NEGOTIATE QUANTITY OF BPC LIFTINGS FOR FIRST HALF OF 1975 AS REQUIRED BY AGREEMENT OF JAN 16 (REFTEL). GOI HAD MADE CLEAR THAT BPC RESPONSIVENESS ON THIS ISSUE WOULD HAVE MAJOR BEARING ON GOI ATTITUDE IN NEGOTIATIONS ON FUTURE COMPANY-STATE ARRANGEMENTS (DUE TO BEGIN WITHIN SIX MONTHS).

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2. BPC TEAM INITIALLY OFFERED TO GIVE COMMITMENT TO LIFT

APPROXIMATELY 8 MILLION TONS AND "BEST ENDEAVORS" TO LIFT ADDITIONAL 4 TO REACH MINIMUM LEVEL DESIRED BY GOI (I. E. 57 PERCENT OF TOTAL OR THAT PORTION OWNED BY BPC PRIOR TO JAN 16 ACCORD. BPC NOW OWNS ONLY 22.8 PERCENT). GOI REPORTEDLY RESPONDED THAT IT WANTED FIRM COMMITMENT AND NOT INTERESTED IN "BEST ENDEAVORS". AS RESULT NO ACCORD CONCLUDED AND TEAM RETURNED TO LONDON.

3. FOR LONDON: REQUEST ANY INFO YOU CAN PROVIDE IN RESPONSE TO QUERY IN PARA 7 REFTEL AND ON ABOVE NEGOTIATIONS. LOWRIE

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